

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the paragraph at page 7, lines 13-27, as follows:

Starting from the idle state (700), the user tests periodically (701) whether a data packet is to be transmitted. If this is the case, the first random variable of the user provides (702) a transmission instant T_{Transmit} . This value is tested (703) to verify its compatibility with the booking. In the negative case, the first random variable is modified (704) and the new transmission instant T_{Transmit} obtained (704) is subjected again to the compatibility test (703). In the contrary case, the user sends (705) at T_{Transmit} the data packet on the shared resource and awaits the acknowledgment. If it is received (706), the user returns to its idle state. If not, it is concluded (706) that there is a collision and the second random variable ~~[(711)]~~ (710) supplies a delay time $T_{\text{Retransmit}}$. The corresponding retransmission instant is tested (711) to check its compatibility with the booking. In the negative case, the second random variable is modified (712) and a new delay time is obtained (712). The corresponding transmission instant is in its turn subjected to the compatibility test (712). If the instant is compatible, the user sends the packet again (713) at this instant, then waits for the acknowledgement.